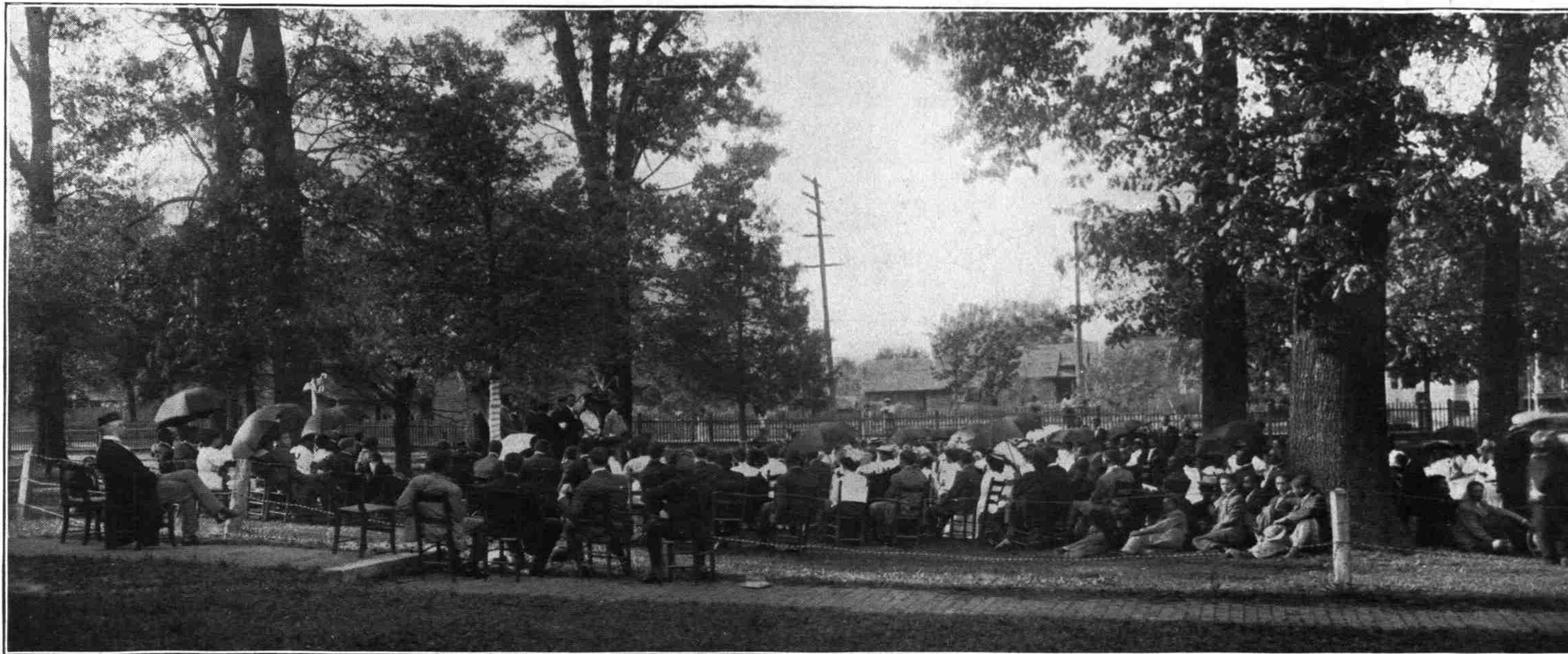


## Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C. Founded 1865



CLASS DAY, SHAW UNIVERSITY, RALEIGH, N. C.

ON a spring morning in 1861 two students, Henry S. Burrage and Henry M. Tupper, met upon the campus of the Theological Seminary, Newton Center, Mass., and discussed the progress of the Civil War.



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The Union forces had met with some reverses, and the people in the North were disappointed; there was a growing feeling that the contest was to be long and sanguinary, instead of short and decisive, as had been generally supposed. After they had looked over the morning paper, Tupper remarked: "Burrage, it's time we stopped studying and went to the front." Both enlisted and served until the close of the war. One is now chaplain of the Soldiers' Home at Togus, Me. A granite block stands upon the campus of Shaw University, inscribed as follows:

HENRY MARTIN TUPPER,  
April 11, 1831 — Nov. 12, 1893.  
He counted not his life dear unto himself that  
he might lift Godward his brother.

### Henry Martin Tupper and His Work

The story of Shaw University is really the story of the life of Henry Martin Tupper, its founder, although it bears the honored name of the late Elijah Shaw, of Wales, Mass., a generous contributor and a lifelong friend. Dr. Tupper, during his service in the Civil War, studied carefully the condition of the colored people, and early saw that their education should be religious, intellectual, and industrial. He was discharged from the service July 14, 1865, and soon after was asked by the American Baptist Home Mission Society to take up the work of a missionary teacher among the colored people of the South, and decide upon his location.

He selected Raleigh, N. C., and with his bride set out for his field, where a great life work was to be accomplished. There was delay in reaching their destination, for the lines of travel had been crippled and in some cases destroyed during the war, and it took time to put the roads again in their normal condition. He bought at Portsmouth, Va., tickets numbered one and two, and they arrived in Raleigh on the first train that came over the road after the Seaboard Air Line was rebuilt.